

Sunday Service for October 8, 2017

A SILENT TIME OF PREPARATION

PRELUDE “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” -arr. C. Dobrinski (*Hand bell Choir*)

THE PASTORAL GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #283 “Jesus, Stand Among Us”

• CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

One: Come away from the rush and worry of the world to worship God.

All: We come seeking peace and quiet for our souls.

One: Rest your spirits. Quiet your hearts. God is with us.

All: Praise be to God who calls us to come away.

• HYMN OF PRAISE #709 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

• AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*In unison*)

Together we confess that God unites us in faith. Together we come to know the height, and the breadth, and the depth of the love of Christ. Together we are built up to the full stature of Christ. Together we know and bear one another’s burdens. We admonish one another. We comfort one another. We suffer with one another. We need one another. We build up one another. Together we pray. Together we serve God in this world. Together we fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity. Thanks be to God.

• SILENT REFLECTION

• THE GLORIA PATRI #35 (*Sung by all*)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost.**

As it was in the beginning,

Is now, and ever shall be

World without end. Amen. Amen.

• GREETING OUR FRIENDS IN CHRIST

• PRAISE RESPONSE (*See insert*) “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

HAND BELL CHOIR “Take It to the Lord in Prayer” -arr. S. Eithun

CHILDREN’S TIME

YOUTH CHOIR “That’s Good” -N. Sleeth

INTERLUDE “Walk With Me” (*Sung by all*)

(*Children ages 3 years – 6th grade are welcome to join us for Sunday school downstairs in Kurth Hall.*)

**Walk with me; I will walk with you
and build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.**

(*Ushers will collect prayer cards at this time.*)

SCRIPTURE

First Reading: **Psalm 19:1-10** (page 498)

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 (page 66)

New Testament: **Matthew 21:33-46** (page 24)

Philippians 3:4b -14 (page 198)

SERMON

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER (*In unison*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT - Mrs. Peggy Berg

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY “Allegretto” -G. Woerl (*Rylee Stelpflug, Cello*)

• OFFERTORY RESPONSE “Doxology” (*Sung by all*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

• PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*In unison*)

We empty our pockets trusting you, O God. We empty our selfish ambitions and believe that the common good is of greater concern. We give because you have given such abundance to share. We serve because you have gifted us in numerous ways. We reach out with love because we care about all those you have called us to love. May our gifts and our life be powerful examples of your love. Amen.

• SENDING HYMN #439 “God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

• COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

• MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE “The Heavens Are Telling” -arr. D. Wells

Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve

Our time of worship concludes at the end of the Postlude. If you would like to remain in the sanctuary to listen to this music written and played to glorify God, please do so quietly. Otherwise, you may join others in the narthex for refreshments and fellowship.